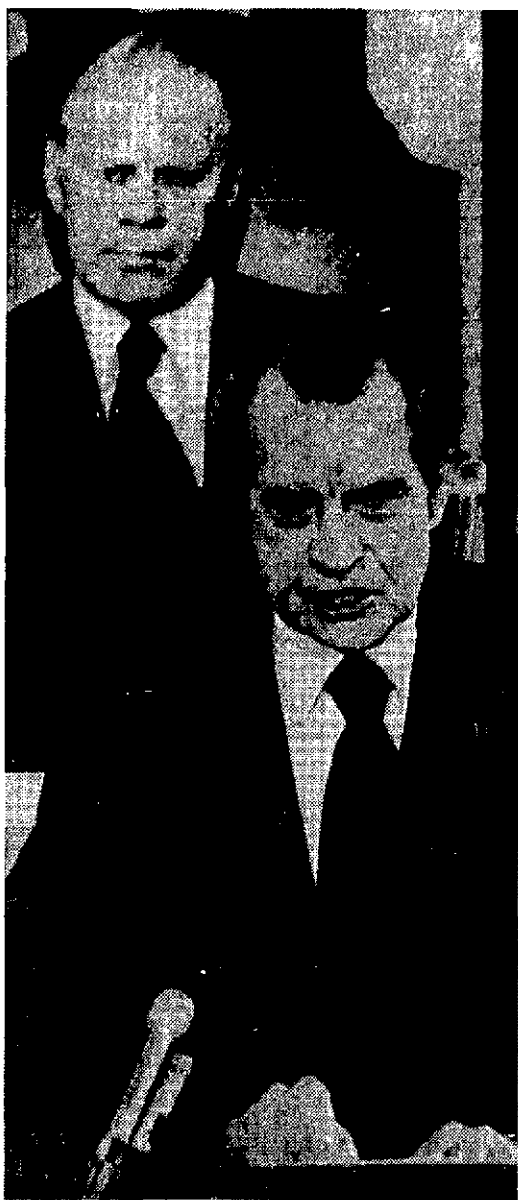


## NIXON VOWS 'NEVER TO RESIGN'



**DELIVERING HIS MESSAGE:** President Nixon delivers his State of the Union message to a joint session of Congress Wednesday night in the House chamber. Vice President Gerald Ford is seated behind Nixon. (AP Wirephoto)



**STANDING OVATION:** President Nixon receives standing applause during his State of the Union address Wednesday night. From left, Rose Mary Woods, his secretary; son-in-law David Eisenhower;

daughter Julie; son-in-law Edward Cox, daughter, Tricia; his wife, Pat and White House adviser Alexander Haig. (AP Wirephoto)

## Promises Qualified Help To Impeachment Probers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vowing never to resign, President Nixon has given a qualified pledge in his State of the Union address to cooperate with House impeachment investigators.

Nixon's promise came in a dramatic finale to the Wednesday night speech delivered to a packed joint session of Congress

and to millions listening and watching across the nation.

But he said his cooperation would have to be tempered by his presidential responsibilities, a remark that drew skeptical comments from some Democrats.

Declaring that "one year of Watergate is enough," Nixon

called on the Democratic-controlled Congress to join him in making 1974 "a year of unprecedented progress" in accomplishing a 10-point agenda of national goals.

He called for action to "break the back of the energy crisis" and said he was sending Congress major proposals in the fields of health insurance and welfare reform.

He promised action to safeguard personal privacy, a proposal that produced audible snickers from some Democratic lawmakers. He said Arab leaders will meet soon to consider lifting their oil embargo and he disclosed his proposed federal budget would total \$304.4 billion, with increased defense spending but no new taxes.

Nixon drew one of his biggest cheers of the night when he declared that a lasting peace is "the chief legacy I hope to leave from the eight years of my presidency."

He combined revisions of previous proposals and some new ones in the 10-point program, which he called "an agenda of truly significant progress."

It also included a pledge there will be no recession, continued efforts towards "a just and lasting settlement in the Middle East, continued efforts towards his goal of American self-sufficiency in energy by 1980,

decentralization of government, increased transportation aid to communities and reform of the federal educational aid system.

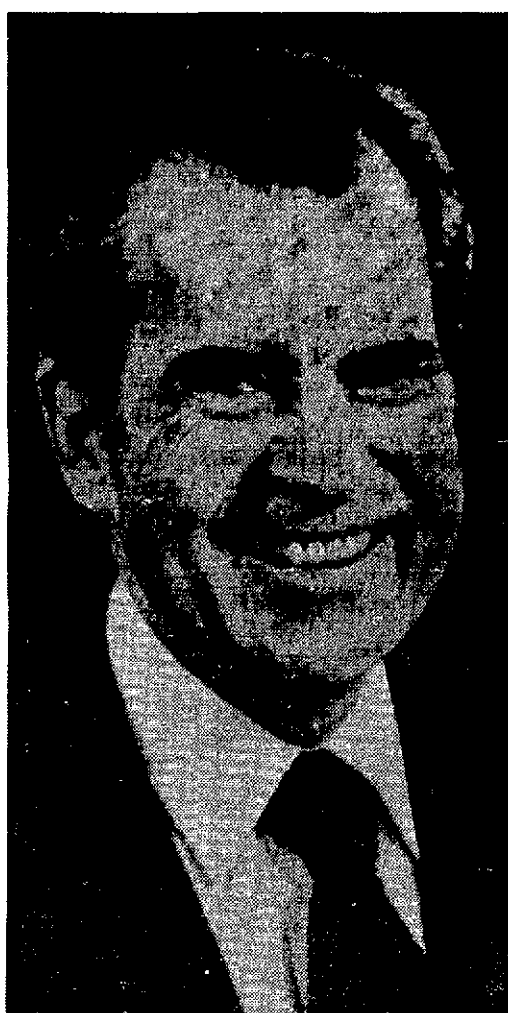
Although most of the 30 interruptions for applause came from the Republican side of the House chamber, GOP and Democratic lawmakers joined later in hailing Nixon's goals, while generally spitting along partisan lines over Watergate.

Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania said Nixon was frank in addressing Watergate and "I particularly liked his offer to cooperate with the House Judiciary Committee."

That panel's chairman, Rep. Peter W. Rodino Jr., D-N.J., said he interpreted Nixon's offer to cooperate consistent with his presidential responsibilities as meaning cooperation with limitations.

Sen. Philip A. Hart, D-Mich., said Nixon seemed to be saying "I will cooperate with the committee of impeachment the way I've cooperated with other committees. Those materials I want

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**ALL SMILES:** A smiling President Nixon reacts to applause as he pauses during his State of the Union address Wednesday night before a joint session of Congress. (AP Wirephoto)

## Youths Run Wild Even Dog Not Spared

DETROIT (AP) — An East Side block club leader says her pet alreadale, Michael, has become the latest victim in a vicious campaign of harassment by neighborhood youths.

Rosetta Johnson says Michael may die or lose his sight after he tried to scare two people away last week while they were invading the Johnson garage.

"There were two young men in the garage fooling around with our new car, and one of them threw lye into Michael's face and then beat him over the head with a piece of wood," Mrs. Johnson said.

"Some of the lye got in his stomach and the veterinarian isn't sure whether or not he'll live," she said. "If he lives, he may lose his sight."

Mrs. Johnson, 58, is president of the McClellan-Georgia Block Club. She says local youths have made no secret that they would like to drive her out.

"They've broken my windows with bricks and gunshots, they've broken into my house, they've cursed and threatened me on the street so I can't walk down the street anymore, and they've made obscene phone calls to me," she said.

Mrs. Johnson says police have been unable to stop the youths, and she and her husband, a 62-year-old machine operator, may just give up and move after 10 years of fighting to hold the neighborhood together.

"Five years ago this was such a pleasant street," she said. "All the families here — black and white — really worked to keep up their lawns and fix up their homes, and the kids were so nice."

"But then some of the families moved away as the older people died or went to live in apartments, and a new group of people moved in who just didn't care about the neighborhood," she added.

Membership in her block club has shrunk from 50 families to only 12.

"The families here let their children run wild," she said, "and the wilder the kids got, the more people would move, many of them so quickly they just abandoned their houses."



**DOG ABUSED:** Mrs. Rosetta Johnson of Detroit bathes eyes of her dog, Michael, who may die or become blinded by lye that was thrown in his face. Mrs. Johnson said it was the latest in a series of harassments by "neighborhood youths" during the past six months. (AP Wirephoto)

## ATOMIC WARNING SYSTEM ON WAY

From Associated Press

The federal government today disclosed plans to link two nuclear power plants in southwestern Michigan and plants elsewhere in the nation to a special warning system that would minimize casualties in the "highly unlikely" event of a major accident.

The atomic energy commission said the system would involve a centralized, computer-equipped facility that would be linked with nuclear reactor facilities across the nation.

The two southwestern Michigan nuclear power stations are Palisades near Covert and Donald C. Cook plant near Bridgman.

The center would be manned around the clock and equipped with sophisticated communications and weather-analyzing gear

It would be designed to offer, within minutes after an accident, accurate forecasts of the "travel and diffusion" of any radioactive or other potentially harmful material released into the atmosphere.

The forecasts would be used by organizations charged with activating emergency response and countermeasure procedures.

The system would forecast potential doses of radiation to which people in the surrounding countryside might be exposed and the geographic extent of possible danger beyond the involved plant.

The AEC told about the plans in its annual report to Congress on the peaceful and military applications of nuclear energy.

"Although an accident which leads to a substantial airborne release of radioactivity from nuclear facilities is highly unlikely,"

the AEC said, "it is the policy of the AEC to be prepared for this contingency."

It disclosed that during the past year, its Lawrence Livermore Laboratory at Livermore, Calif. — birthplace of the hydrogen bomb — began the conceptual design of the proposed alert system which would be known as the Atmospheric Release Advisory Capability system.

"Eventually, it would be capable of serving some 300 separate (nuclear facility) sites," the commission said.

The nation now has about 40 operating commercial nuclear power plants, but about 1,000 are forecast for operation by the turn of the century.

## \$5 Million Project

## Western Electric Given Green Light!

By LYLE SUMERIX  
South Berrien Bureau

NILES — Western Electric company was given the green light last night to construct its proposed \$5 million material management and distribution center near here in Bertrand township.

The Bertrand township

board, meeting in a special session, voted unanimously to approve rezoning of the 110-acre site at Chicago and Chamberlain roads, from R-1A residential, to M-1 light industry, as had been requested by the company so that the plant could be built.

Supervisor Brayton Yaw said he was hopeful that the firm will be located in the township because of the benefits to the whole area.

Speaking for the township board, and the township zoning board, Yaw said the added tax base and 300 new jobs are vital to the area.

In approving the rezoning, the township board followed the recommendation adopted by the township zoning board last May.

Company officials said they plan to begin construction this spring unless delayed by opponents of the rezoning who have promised to petition for a referendum vote on the rezoning issue.

Yaw said opponents have 30 days in which to file petitions. At least 48 signatures of

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## Winning Numbers

ROSEVILLE, Mich. (AP) — The winning numbers in today's regular weekly Michigan Lottery drawing were: 655-185.

The second chance numbers were: 884-977.

Correction: Ron's Markets 60th, Beef Special, Benton Heights or Scottsdale.

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## Editorial Page

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### Environmentalists Face A Balancing Requirement

Four years ago an emotion swept Congress converted preceding Clean Air and clean Water Acts into the omnibus Environmental Protection Act and established the Environmental Protection Agency to enforce it.

The proposal met little opposition and it swept through Congress because most of its members viewed EPA as a rare opportunity to play the hero's role of giving something to the people without simultaneously taxing them for the donation.

Only now are the legal scholars beginning to speculate if Congress has impinged a fundamental legal change on the country more pervasive than the Constitution itself.

Though embargos and price gouging by foreign oil producing countries would not win a Chamber of Commerce award, their blackmail is pulling into focus the so easily forgotten adage about eating one's cake and having it.

Environmental cleanup carries a terrific price tag, one so high that some Congressional minds are conceding the energy crunch forces a compromise with the 1970 assertion that a century or more of profligacy can be cured in a decade or less.

Whether this second look reverses the blinded euphoria of 1970 into an equally blind elimination of any ecological goal depends in large measure on the environmentalists second look at their position.

The mental reaction stirred by a stream bubbling with detergent discharge, old cars strewn in a field, or smoke clouding the sky is healthy in the sense of reminding us there should be more efficient means of controlling the damaging byproducts from an industrialized society.

Unfortunately the reaction overlooks the simple fact of pollution being energy created can only be neutralized by energy.

Burying those old cars, for example, is one method to eliminate the eyesore. The trouble is it consumes some real estate which might be planted to crops or trees or ornamental plant life. And

as one area realtor advertises his service, "They ain't making any more land."

So the better way is to send the old clunkers to a remelt furnace and use once more the metal from which they were made. This requires energy of some sort, electricity, coke, petroleum or natural gas to fire the furnace.

The broad assertion that the world and some countries such as the U.S. in particular may have to reduce its standard of living to equalize its polluting effect is at best a halfway recognition that unless energy begets energy, all life will cease.

The interplay has its cost just to get started and if the anti-pollution requirement is tacked on, the cost goes higher.

The McGraw-Hill economics department estimates, for example, that the petroleum industry is spending at least 10 per cent of its capital resources for anti-pollution equipment and its operation. It is anyone's guess how much this diversion from productive capacity has inflated current postings at the station level.

The same direct and indirect cost effect is being felt throughout all industry today.

This has come about because the environmentalist has been under no pressure to justify the purification standards they insist are needed immediately.

They have held the same unassailable position of the old time parent informing his offspring, "It's true because I tell you so."

The technique is same in both instances, namely, fear.

There is a growing realization that 2000 A.D. will not witness the end of the earth unless everything is given the Mr. Clean treatment by 1980.

At the same time there abounds a well-taken opinion that the cleansing process must go on.

It should, but at a pace which can be maintained.

The biggest quarrel with the dyed-in-the-wool environmentalist is his mistaken belief that a runner can do the mile in a 100-yard speed.

### Foreign Investment Becomes 2-Way Street

Foreigners have been complaining for years about massive U.S. investment abroad. The point is made that U.S.-based multinational companies, when operating in the territory of a foreign country, respond not only to the goals of the host state but also to a flow of commands from outside. To the extent that this happens, critics say, the host country's sovereignty is diminished.

Americans may soon be singing the same refrain, for investors from abroad are buying into the U.S. economy at an unprecedented rate. "While the Commerce Department won't publish the figures until May, unofficial estimates put the increase in direct foreign investment in the U.S. last year at more than \$2 billion," The Wall Street Journal recently reported (Jan. 22, 1974). "That is a record,

roughly triple the \$708 million of 1972 and five times the \$385 million of 1971."

The sudden upsurge in foreign investment stemmed in large part from last year's devaluation of the dollar. Stocks in American companies suddenly seemed like bargains to businessmen abroad, and American labor costs no longer seemed prohibitive. So in the money came, with the result that such well known American companies as Gimbel Brothers department stores, Grand Union Co. and Travelodge International Inc. are now controlled by overseas interests. A new investment boom may develop as the oil-producing Arab states cast about for ways to spend their bloated oil revenues.

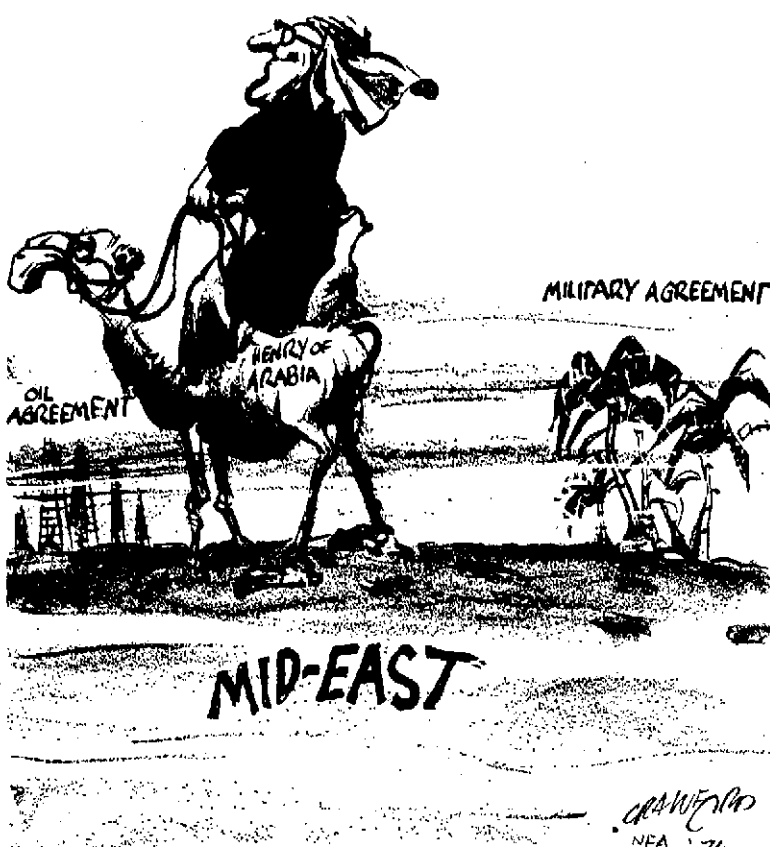
The suddenness and magnitude of the foreign invasion of capital have disturbed many business and government officials. At least three and possibly as many as six congressional subcommittees have launched or planned hearings on the question. The Chamber of Commerce of the United States will hold a two-day seminar in Washington, D.C., starting Wednesday, Feb. 6. But short of legislation limiting foreign investment, there is little that can be done. And any such action would invite retaliatory moves by other countries. Only now are many Americans learning that foreign investment is a two-way street.

#### It Blows Too Strong

The mayor of Utica, N.Y., reinstalls his office door after doing without it for three weeks. Too many political drafts?

Once considered a fossil like the moon with a surface little changed over millions of years, Mars now is regarded as a planet still under construction. Like Earth, it may have a molten core, a crust that shifts and cracks, and mountains that sometimes blow their tops, the National Geographic Society says.

### It's A Long Way Between Oases



### GLANCING BACKWARDS

#### HOLT NAMED CONCERT HEAD

— 1 Year Ago —

Watervliet resident Jay Holt, last year's Blossomtime president, will serve as chairman of this year's concert committee, according to James Barrieklow, 1973 Blossomtime president.

The event will be the seventh annual Blossomtime Concert. Past concerts have brought a host of headliners to the area, including Al Hirt, Count Basie, The Four Freshmen and John Gary. For the past two years the concert has joined the boom in the country and western field by presenting artists Dotti West

and Del Reeves. Holt indicated that the concert will stay in a similar vein this year, with gold-record-producing Donna Fargo under strong consideration as one of the stars.

#### WHIRLPOOL TESTS ICE MACHINE

— 10 Years Ago —

A pilot model of a proposed new Whirlpool product started its field test in Benton Harbor Thursday. The product is a coin-operated ice cube dispenser and the model was opened for business at the Zephyr service station, 790 East Main st.

Four other models are being

field tested in St. Paul, Minn., where the machines were produced in Whirlpool's St. Paul division. There are only five models in existence thus far. The self-service machine dispenses a six-pound bag of crystal clear ice cubes for 25 cents and is available to customers on a 24-hour seven-day basis. It is capable of producing 400 pounds of ice cubes per day.

#### WIN AWARDS IN PRINT CONTEST

— 35 Years Ago —

First place, in the Twin City Camera club's monthly competition on "Portraits," held last evening, was awarded to Harold Maltz of Chicago for his print titled "Portrait," a dramatic style photo of a young fellow.

James Huber's print "Captain" won second, a portrait of Captain S.J. Carlsen. Third place went to Glenn Knight of Benton Harbor for a fine baby picture titled "Glenda Lou." Collins Gillespie's cat picture titled "Butch" was awarded fourth. Several out of town members and guests were present in spite of bad weather.

#### ELECTED CHAIRMAN

— 45 Years Ago —

Elwyn Simons, manager of the Liberty theater in Benton Harbor, was today elected chairman of the executive committee for the annual Blossomtime to be staged in the spring.

#### ELECT OFFICERS

— 55 Years Ago —

The Young Men's class of the First Methodist church met last evening at the home of their teacher, R.O. Mesick, for a business and social meeting. Officers elected were: President, Walter Bartlett; vice president, Louis Gess; secretary and treasurer, Roland Evans.

#### START CAMPAIGN

— 65 Years Ago —

The Civic association of St. Joseph has started on a campaign against the great white plague (tuberculosis), their first effort being the securing of physicians to address all the children of the schools. Women of St. Joseph will try and enforce some of the existing laws, and when the notices forbidding spitting are conspicuously posted they will make examples of the offenders.

#### USE SIDEWALKS — NOT STREETS

Editor, Just about every letter to the editor I've read against Daylight Saving Time is centered around the safety of school children. This may be absolute.

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#### Wins Battle

DETROIT (AP) — Walter B. Williams has won the right to re-enroll in the Detroit police academy after a three-year battle.

Williams claimed he was forced out because of racial bias and his claim was upheld in December by a Michigan Civil Rights Commission reference.

### Roy Cromley

## U.S. Not Ready For Confrontation

When Defense Secretary James R. Schlesinger ordered a worldwide alert of U.S. air, sea and land forces in response to what seemed a Russian threat in the Middle East, he knew this country was ill prepared and ill-equipped to handle a military confrontation.

Barring an all-out nuclear war, we have the wrong kind and numbers of weapons. Our forces have inadequate training and low morale. Our reserves have been allowed to deteriorate in leadership, organization and equipment.

The fault does not lie in Congress, except as that body works in an information vacuum. The fault is not due primarily to a lack of funds.

The problem lies rather with divisions in the Department of Defense the past 15 to 20 years. The Secretary of Defense following orders of the President and of congress, decides overall policy. But in practice, the army, navy and air force decide on weapons. Theoretically, the services merely recommend. In practice, the Secretary of Defense modifies but does not drastically contradict those recommendations.

The resulting situation today is ludicrous. The services, even after the lessons of Vietnam, have so emphasized nuclear war that we are unprepared for anything less. Despite this preoccupation with nukes, Defense Department strategy and U.S. war policy is based on using conventional weapons wherever possible, reserving atomic warheads as a last resort.

The imbalance in United States forces has created a strange and dangerous hiatus, dramatized by the Israeli-Arab war. U.S. planners are certain, for example, that the Russians in any future hostilities will

employ the same massive tactics — taking heavy losses for quick gains — as the Egyptians used in the recent fighting. Our planners are equally certain the Russians will likewise throw in massive numbers of planes, tanks and other armor to achieve quick breakthroughs.

U.S. planning, however, counts on small numbers of expensive, impressive superior planes, tanks, radar and other equipment.

The effectiveness of the American strategy also depends on a crack command-control-communications system, superbly-trained active forces, a reserve that equals the regulars and time for superiority to take hold.

Schlesinger is increasingly doubtful this strategy will work. Despite the magnificently effective U.S. logistics, which showed up so admirably in Vietnam and the Middle East and despite the superiority of our weapons to what the Russians displayed in the Middle East fighting, the edge of that superiority is disappearing. The Russian anti-tank missiles were superb. The SAM-5 radars were outside the rated capabilities of our detection-analysis systems. The Russian bridging equipment was better than what we have today.

Despite their superiority in quality, American weapons are now believed to be no match for the massive numbers of Soviet planes, tanks, anti-aircraft and anti-tank missiles and men. A slight overall Soviet inferiority in weapons would be more than compensated for by wave after wave of men and weapons.

American planners were surprised — not to say shocked — at the vast quantities of equipment (sophisticated and unsophisticated alike) chewed up in the first week of the Israeli-Arab fighting.

### Jeffrey Hart

## Solzhenitsyn Hits Western Liberals

In a recent column I pointed out that Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, though a figure of enormous drama and attractiveness, and though on page one almost daily as a consequence of his campaign against Soviet tyranny, has not become a hero to American, or indeed to Western, academic and literary culture. He is largely ignored by fashionable literary periodicals; he does not have the cachet of Che Guevara or even Dan Berrigan.

Why? Surely the Soviet Union is getting a poor enough press these days. The literati cannot really be put off by this great writer's attack upon the gray tyrants in the Kremlin.

No, the answer lies deeper. Solzhenitsyn is attacking not only Mr. Brezhnev and his colleagues in the NKVD, but also Western liberalism, and what he has repeatedly called its hypocritical and "lopsided" view of the world.

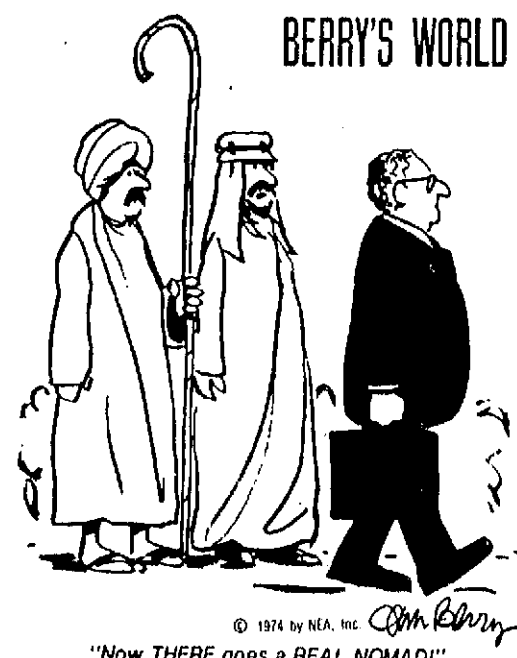
Go back, for example, to the long letter he wrote proposing physicist Andrei Sakharov for

the Nobel Peace Prize. Here is Solzhenitsyn defining the leftist inertia of standard liberal feeling in the West: "The bestial mass killings in Hue, though reliably proved, were only lightly noticed and almost immediately forgiven because the sympathy of society was on the other side and the inertia could not be disturbed." Through an emotional filtering process, the Hue slaughter became a non-event.

Here is Solzhenitsyn on one of the great heroes of the campus lecture circuit: "How can anyone believe that this fluttering butterfly of a Ramsey Clark, after all a former Attorney General, simply had no idea, simply could not have guessed, that the prisoner of war who had handed over a piece of paper needed by Clark for his political purposes, had just been subjected to torture? . . . Quite understandably, no one in the United States reproached Clark for it."

Solzhenitsyn is an expert taxonomist of the liberal malaise: Harold Wilson visiting Czechoslovakia in 1972 and granting "self-appointed forgiveness" to the agents of the Kremlin running that country; the exclusion of South Africa from the Olympics, though the much more repressive Soviets were allowed to participate; the fashionable protests against French, but not Chinese, atomic tests. The great novelist puns his finger on the root of this hypocrisy: cowardice. "It is perfectly proper to protest if there is no danger to life, if the opponent is likely to back down, and if you don't risk being denounced by the left (in fact it is always better to protest together with the left)."

Solzhenitsyn — and this is the point — considers liberalism an inadequate foundation. It cannot provide a basis either for sustained resistance to tyranny or for sustaining a civilization. It is metaphysically weak. Liberalism, in his words, "has no built-in ethical foundation," and is "without any all-embracing ethical edifice."



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MRS. RICHARD MARTIN  
Heads 4-H Foundation

## BH Leader Tells Of Growth

# 4-H Reaching More Inner-City Children

By NICK SMITH  
Staff Writer

Over 400 Benton Harbor area youngsters — most of them blacks from low-income families — have joined 4-H within the last two years, members of the Berrien county 4-H Foundation were told Wednesday at their fifth annual meeting, held in the St. Joseph Holiday Inn.

Addressing the group was Mrs. Emma Fields, a full-time program assistant with the county extension service's 4-H program. In addition to talks by 4-H staffers and others the board of directors elected Mrs. Richard (Pat) Martin, of Three Oaks, foundation president for 1974.

Mrs. Fields, a 29-year-old native of Benton Harbor, said that 4-H had made earlier attempts to get involved with inner-city youth and that in March of 1972, when she was placed in charge of

recruiting around Benton Harbor, the groundwork had been laid.

Now there are five clubs in the Benton Harbor—Benton township area. There are 380 4-H members, most aged from 9 to 12, and another 100 teen leaders, many of whom are not members of 4-H but, she said, are instrumental in making the program work.

"We are trying to break that barrier that kids in the city don't have anything to do," she said. The program has been successful because it occupies the youths' time and teaches them skills.

She explained that through 4-H projects — such as making ashtrays or building tables — the kids get a feeling of accomplishment. "The kids used to run from one thing to another, never finishing anything. Projects give them a chance to begin, finish and display something they made."

Larry Cushman, extension 4-H youth agent, told the group that the Berrien county 4-H program has over 6,500 members in 70 clubs. He expects the program to expand to almost 10,000 before the 4-H summer programs begin, he said.

Donald Stover, assistant treasurer of the foundation, told members that as of Jan. 1, 1974, total assets were some \$67,000. The assets, invested in holding companies, certificates of deposit, and other notes, earned some \$3,500 in 1973.

All of the earnings went to various Berrien 4-H programs, he said. The foundation, a non-profit corporation, funds the projects solely from interest earned on its investments. Next year's budget is set at \$4,500, Stover said.

Other officers elected to the board were Donald Gast, vice president; James Behlin, treasurer; Donald Stover, assistant treasurer; and Larry Cushman, secretary.



MRS. EMMA FIELDS  
Inner-City 4-H Grower

# DRAFT BOARD OFFICE CLOSING IN BH

## Long Career Ending For Executive Secretary

By RALPH LUTZ  
Staff Writer

The U.S. Selective Board office in Benton Harbor will be closed Feb. 15, when its functions will be transferred to Kalamazoo.

Arthur A. Holmes, state director of Selective Service, termed the consolidation neces-

sary to maintain "the current standby operation within limited appropriations."

The Selective Service office at Battle Creek also will be consolidated with the Kalamazoo area office, located at 410 West Michigan avenue, in the Federal building.

Mrs. Pauline Pence, execu-

tive secretary, of the Benton Harbor office, will retire after Feb. 15, ending 26 years in U.S. service.

The Benton Harbor office is at 175 Territorial road in the federal building.

Selective Service Board No. 11, headquartered in Benton Harbor, will continue to have

jurisdiction over all registrants from Berrien and Cass counties.

Members of the board are Victor Wier, St. Joseph; Paul E. Mayhew, Edwardsburg; Joseph M. Gould, Cassopolis; William D. Hart, Dowagiac; Edward R. Merrill, Benton Harbor; and Sammie J. Rodgers, Sodus.

Young men are still required

to register on reaching on the age of 18. Registrars and draft advisers will continue to be available after the local board offices are consolidated, Holmes said. Registrations will be taken at most area high schools and other public offices, according to Holmes.

Mrs. Pence has been with Selective Service for 23 years. She took the job on Jan. 8, 1951, after serving during World War II for three years in the Women's Army Corps (WACS). Before that, she worked five years in the Berrien county register of deeds office.

Mrs. Pence said she was offered a position in the Kalamazoo area office.

"With the gasoline shortages and driving 50 miles one way each day, I found it impossible," she said.

The draft board in room 303 of the federal building on Territorial road, already looks barren.

"The truck came yesterday and took all the records," Mrs. Pence said Wednesday.

"In this job, we deal only with people. Like Mr. Holmes said once, 'If you don't sell a suit, you can mark it down, and if you don't sell bananas, you can throw them out.'"

You don't do either with people, Mrs. Pence concluded. And the people she dealt with were great.

"We know of the objectors and the troubles over the draft. But here, they have been so few that it's not worth mentioning. The young men who have come here have been just great."

She doesn't know how many young men have registered and departed. But, the number of young men turning 18 in Berrien county, alone, ranges from 1,700 to 1,800, annually, Mrs. Pence said. Last year was a big one, with 1,881 turning 18.

Mrs. Pence enlisted in the WAC's in 1943, and served until 1946. She started in administration work and ended in finance.

Mrs. Pence and her husband reside on River road, Sodus township. They have two grown children, a son, Jim, at the University of Oregon, and a daughter, Barbara, a student at Western Michigan university. Mrs. Pence's husband has been a foreman at Superior Steel Co. for 38 years.



LONG CAREER ENDS: Closing of the Benton Harbor draft board office has brought an end to the 26 year federal service of Mrs. Pauline Pence, executive secretary. Mrs. Pence was offered a job in the newly-consolidated Kalamazoo office but she has decided to retire rather than travel 100 miles a day to and from the office. (Staff photo)

# SJ's \$4.7 Million Water Bonds Go To N.Y. Firm

By BRANDON BROWN  
Staff Writer

The Berrien county board of public works (BPW) Wednesday sold \$4.7 million worth of bonds to improve St. Joseph's water system to a New York syndicate for 5.2472 per cent average net interest.

Bond Atty. Robert Hamell of Detroit told the BPW the bid by Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. and associates was a "real good bid," slightly lower than the current market for shorter-term bonds that usually enjoy a better interest rate.

Morgan Guaranty's bid was lowest among eight bidders when the BPW opened bids Tuesday in the courthouse, St. Joseph. Low-bid interest cost is \$4,923,238, and the bonds run 30 years.

Hamell said the low bid was good because the present market for AA 20-year bonds is 5.26 per cent, and the longer bonds usually would sell at even higher interest.

It was the first purchase of BPW bonds by a New York firm in memory.

St. Joseph will use bond money to expand its water treatment plant from 8 million to 16 million-gallon-a-day capacity and install about 1,000 feet of 30-inch line from the plant to a 24-inch main that feeds Lincoln and St. Joseph townships and the Villages of Stevensville and Shoreham. Two contractors already have been named.

City Manager G.W. Heppler said construction bids came in lower than expected, leaving cash from the bond sale for an emergency power system at the plant and improving the water distribution system perhaps by adding booster mains and a second elevated water tank.

These changes have yet to be firmly adopted, he added. St. Joseph will pay back bonds from water sales. It raised water rates 60 per cent several months ago in anticipation of repayment.

Interest rates in bids submitted by seven other firms and syndicates ranged upwards to a top of 5.391019 per cent.

The BPW will obtain the bond sale money probably in March, Hamell said.

# Allegan Eyes County Plan

ALLEGAN — Sparkplugged by a special committee of the Allegan county board of commissioners, government and civic leaders are weighing the possibility of a countywide approach to economic development in Allegan county.

A meeting last night chaired by Fifth District Commissioner Kenneth Rynbrandt, of Salem, and Eighth District Commissioner Dennis Nichols, of Wayland, brought out representatives from six county communities to discuss possible courses of action.

Along with Fred Egerton, of Plainwell, who is the new county treasurer, Rynbrandt and Nichols are members of a special committee named by Chairman Jerry Lohman to

explore economic development problems in the county.

Representatives of Wayland, Moline, Saugatuck, Douglas, Otsego and Allegan participated, along with Clifford Kleier, assistant director for industry of Michigan's office of economic expansion.

The need for a complete county inventory of information required by site-shopping business and industries, professional management and follow-through on prospects were cited as prime requirements for a successful economic development program.

Many mentioned that economic expansion should not mean industrial development alone, stressing the importance

of tourism and agriculture in the county.

Kleier stressed the need to "concentrate on your assets without trying to hide your liabilities." He also emphasized that — to be successful —

economic development programs "must be first class" and adequately staffed by knowledgeable people.

Future meetings are planned to broaden participating in the planning.

## Gas Washed Off I-94 By Benton Firemen

Benton township firemen reported they were called to clean up 20 gallons of gasoline that spilled onto I-94 near Territorial road, Wednesday about 6 p.m.

The gas came from the ruptured tank of a car driven by

Randolph Geister, Palos Heights, Ill. Fire officials spent nearly 30 minutes washing the gas off the highway. There was no fire and it was believed the hole in Geister's tank occurred while he was driving on the highway.

# Full-Time BH Mayor Idea Being Explored

The Benton Harbor city charter commission hasn't formed a final opinion on a full-time mayor, but the issue may be crystallized at a meeting next week.

Mayor Charles Joseph and Atty. David Morris of Kalamazoo, will be asked to attend the meeting, at 4 p.m. next Wednesday, in the public library.

Joseph outlined goals for a new charter, including his full-time mayor plan, last week. He is expected to elaborate and answer specific questions next week.

Atty. Morris, retained by the charter commission after its formation early last year, will continue to serve, according to Commission Chairman Victor Greer. Morris, who handles the legal counseling and actual drafting of charter chapters, is expected to get specific ideas from the mayor.

The commission yesterday held a general discussion on varied topics. Morris was not present, nor were any city officials, or citizens.

The commission decided that after next week, the regular meetings will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays to enable more citizens to attend. The afternoon meeting was scheduled for next week, because of earlier commitments to the mayor.

Greer during discussion said he would oppose any charter that spelled out details of a pension plan for firemen and police. Greer said the charter should simply state that there will be a pension. He said that from that point on, details would be a bargaining issue.

Wilbert Smith, commission vice-chairman, said a simple

statement that there will be a pension is okay with him, providing that the charter specifies that there can be no lesser benefits to employees.

While other members favored leaving a pension to a simple statement, no formal vote was taken yesterday. Police and firemen want their pension detailed in a new charter, just like it is in the present one.

As to keeping the services of Atty. Morris, it was reported that there is enough money left in the budget, approved last

year by the city commission. The budget was set at \$16,350. It was speculated that no more than \$10,000 had been spent.

Money already spent was reported to include \$2,700 for commissioners' pay; \$1,100 for publishing of legal notices; and \$1,600 for the cost of the charter election last Jan. 8. Clerk Evelyn Grenawitzke said she did not have figures on how much had been paid to Morris. Commissioners are now serving without pay.

## SJ Shoeman Completes Course

Joseph E. Scrima, owner of Edisan Shoes, St. Joseph, has been awarded the title of Certified Pedorthic Practitioner (CPP) following graduation from courses conducted by Prescription Footwear association at Ball State university, Muncie, Ind. Scrima, 38, of 4714 Woodland drive, St. Joseph, is qualified to fit shoes prescribed by physicians. Scrima spent three years in preparation for taking the course. He finished third in a class of 36. The certification also requires written endorsement by physicians.

## New Buffalo Fluoride Program

NEW BUFFALO — Enrollment for the annual summer fluoride program here, sponsored by the Parent Teacher organization, is to be held in February. Applications are available at the school nurse's office and the New Buffalo library. Cost is \$3 per child. As in the past, the program is open to pre-schoolers, and youngsters in second, fifth and eighth grades.

## SMC Students Like System

DOWAGIAC — An accelerated calendar inaugurated by Southwestern Michigan college last fall met with student approval, according to a report by Russell Owen, SMC president. The report is based on responses to a questionnaire, prepared by the college's administration, that indicated 84 per cent of the students responding preferred the accelerated semester that ended prior to Christmas, rather than the traditional system that carried the fall semester through January. More than a year of study and preparation had gone into the changed semester schedule. The accelerated spring semester will begin Monday, Feb. 4. An interim session, which ran Jan. 4 through Jan. 28, as part of the 4-1-4 calendar, was also considered a success by Owen.



FAREWELL TO BH: Don Stewart ends nearly a quarter century of work in Benton Harbor today when he retires as the city's director of economic development. Stewart was saluted last night by more than 100 persons at Win Schuler's restaurant. He bows out of Benton Harbor with the acclamation of being "honest, impartial and diligent." His family (left to right) Mrs. Linda (James) Foondle; wife, Eleanor; Don; Mrs. Mary (Chuck) Reinbolt; and Air Force

Maj. John Stewart, newly assigned to the U.N. peace-keeping mission in the Middle East. Don, 59, was secretary-manager of the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce before becoming Benton Harbor city manager, a post he held 15½ years before taking the economic development post. He and Mrs. Stewart will retire to a home near Traverse City. (Staff photo)



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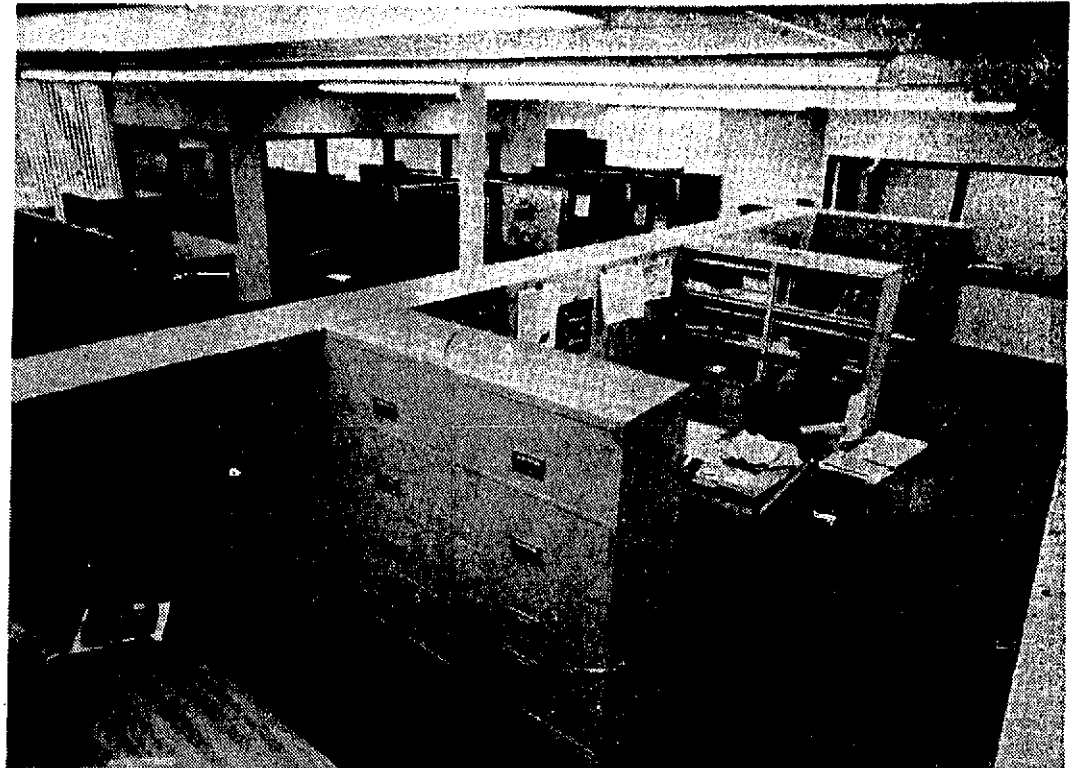
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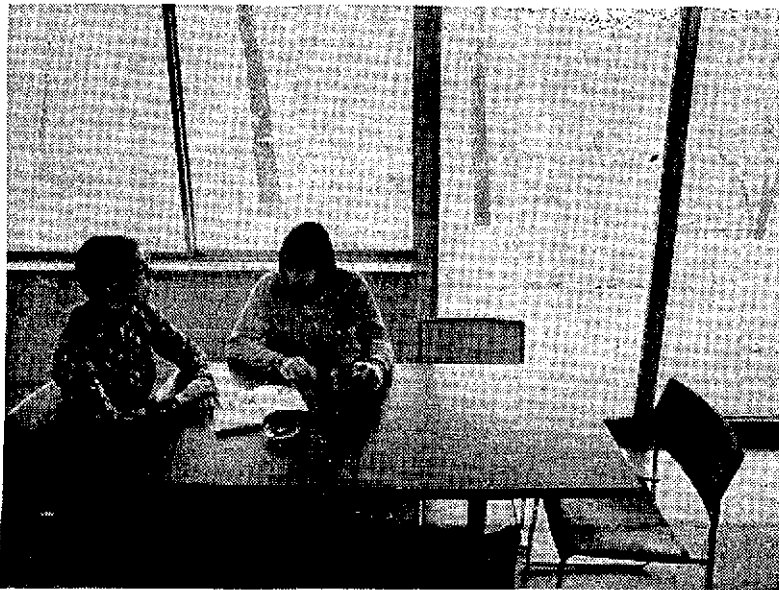
**HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN NEW HEADQUARTERS:** Berrien county health department moved last week from courthouse in St. Joseph to new home with treble the floor space in former Fidelity Insurance Co. building at 769

Pipestone, Benton Harbor. This view shows main entrance, main lobby, and stairwell to downstairs cafeteria, nurse quarters and clinic areas. (Staff photos)



**COMMUNITY HEALTH ROOM:** Jack DeLong, coordinator of anti-alcoholism program, does paperwork in community health wing of new Berrien health department headquarters. This wing

also holds nursing division, accounting, and programs for crippled children, vision and hearing screening, and sickle cell counseling. Another similar wing houses environmental health division.



**PLEASANT VISTA:** Environmentalist Clarke McCance (right) and Secretary Patricia Howard chat in employe cafeteria overlooking Ox creek at lower rear level of new health department headquarters. Bought for bargain price of \$185,000, headquarters will get \$165,000 worth of new parking spaces, second driveway, new entrance-waiting room-central registration, and downstairs clinic areas. Renovation hopefully will be done by fall, 1974.

## In New Quarters

### Berrien's Health Workers Move To BH

## Area Governments Share In Funds

# Highway Safety Grants Awarded

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Federal grants totaling \$2.1 million have been awarded to state and local governments for traffic safety projects.

Gov. William G. Milliken said Wednesday the grants were authorized under the federal Highway Safety Act of 1973. The governor's Office of Highway Safety Planning oversees the program in Michigan.

Included is \$417,583 for the state Public Health Department to use for drivers convicted of alcohol-related traffic offenses. The counties in the program are Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Calhoun, Genesee, Ingham, Kalamazoo, Kent, Marquette, Muskegon, Saginaw and Washtenaw.

The Department of State received \$250,000 to continue a

program aimed at early detection of drinking drivers. The counties involved are Berrien, Calhoun, Cass, Genesee, Ingham, Kalamazoo, Kent, Macomb, Muskegon, Oakland, Saginaw, Van Buren and Wayne.

Other alcohol-highway safety programs include \$10,000 to State Police to buy additional alcohol-breath testing equipment for local police departments, \$7,500 to the Department of Education for safety materials for secondary schools, and \$1,600 for Livingston County to begin a project involving the use of videotape equipment in prosecuting cases.

Also included was \$459,395 for special traffic enforcement and training programs. Departments getting grants are Troy,

Taylor, Lansing, Dearborn Heights, Southfield, Holland, Warren, Niles, Northville, Farmington Hills, Royal Oak, Livonia and Novi. Also included was a grant to Oakland County for \$123,800 for traffic improvement.

The state Public Health Department got \$116,000 to administer a statewide emergency medical services program. Also allotted was \$150,224 to provide 24 ambulances and mobile radio communications systems.

Counties included are Alcona, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Gratiot, Isabella, Kalamazoo, northern Kent, Oceana, Ogemaw and Oscoda. Also included are Eaton Rapids, Porter, Porterville and Shelby townships, Engadine, Paradise, South Ste. Marie, Marquette

County's Republic Township, Calumet, DeTour, Hulbert, Ishpeming and Palmer.

Tuscola, Benzie and Clare counties and Dowagiac were given a total of \$11,000 for hospital emergency radio systems.

Central Michigan University received \$125,000 to develop a simulator system for training school bus drivers. The state Department of Administration gets \$74,400 to continue a driver education program for state employees.

Receiving \$13,800 for driver education program improvements at the local level are Cheboygan, Lansing and Dickinson County. The Education Department is getting \$32,000 to continue a project designed to upgrade school bus vehicle maintenance procedures

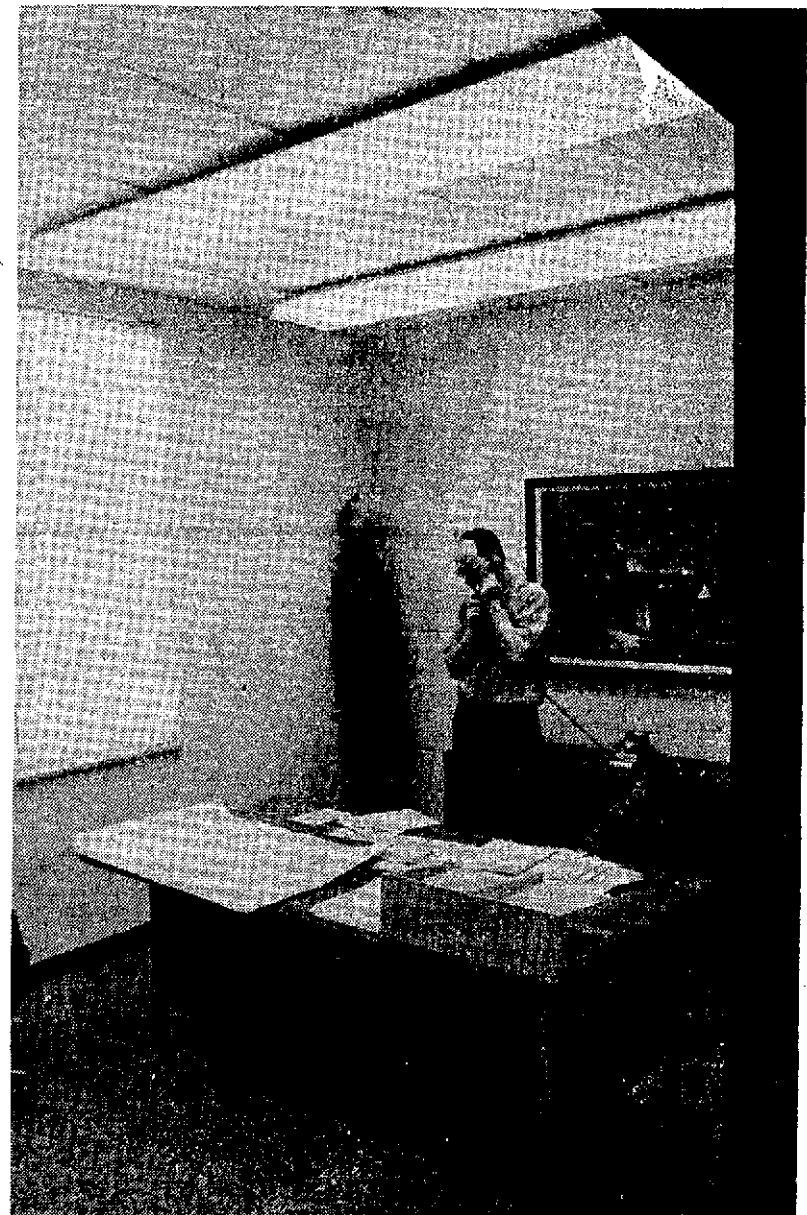
with additional emphasis on passenger safety rules and procedures.

The State Highways and Transportation Department received \$134,000 to provide a program of traffic engineering assistance to local communities, and \$18,230 for a project to revise the Michigan manual on traffic control devices.

The Office of Highway Safety Planning received \$215,875 for program administration.

### Richardson To Speak

DETROIT (AP) — Elliot L. Richardson, former U.S. attorney general, will be the featured speaker Feb. 15 at the University of Detroit's annual banquet in Cobo Hall.



**IMMEDIATE USE:** Nearly 70 Berrien health department employees began putting new headquarters to use immediately after installing phones, arranging cabinets and furniture to create work areas in larger rooms, said Administrator Jerry Erickson (above). Building has about 12,000 square feet, triple old quarters in county courthouse, and will get about 2,500 more from addition later this year.

## Church Council's Annual Meeting Due February 14

The annual meeting of the Berrien County Council of Churches will be Thursday, Feb. 14, at the United Methodist church in Berrien Springs.

Main speaker will be the Rev. Marvin J. Hartman, a former pastor of First Church of God in St. Joseph, and a former president of the council.

The Rev. Hartman presently is president-treasurer of the board of church extension and home missions of the Church of God, Anderson, Ind.

The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., preceded by a fellowship period at 6 p.m. and dinner. Deadline for reservations is Monday, Feb. 11. Reservations may be made at the Council of Churches office, 305 Lake boulevard, St. Joseph.

The Rev. Arnold R. Bolin, executive director of the council, said the business session will include the election of new officers and annual reports

D. Wayne Root, present council president, will preside. The Rev. Donald Adkins, pastor of the Second Baptist church, Benton Harbor, will be the worship leader. Mrs. Melba Haight, president of Church Women United, in Niles, will install officers.

The Council of Churches is an independent organization with no ties to other ecumenical groups. It now has 42 member churches, representing 14 different denominational groups throughout the Berrien county area. "Everyone, whether from

a member church or not, is cordially invited to attend this meeting," the Rev. Bolin stressed.



REV. MARVIN HARTMAN



**JUST TODDLING AROUND:** These Beagle puppies appear a little tipsy because they're just three weeks old and unsure afoot. But they can give you a chance to raise a dog almost from birth. The

puppies are up for adoption at the Berrien Humane Society shelter, 641 South Crystal avenue, Benton township. (Staff photo)